

T-Vice in Concert in Aruba

The hot Miami/Haitian group T-VICE is coming to Aruba and will be on the stage of the Piedraplat Entertainment Center on Saturday night, July 21. Opening for T-VICE will be popular local groups Nu Vision, Youth Extreme, and La Groove for an exciting night filled with great music.

No Wega Productions promises a night devoted to the Kompa beat, which is taking the U.S. by storm. Kompa is a musical genre as well as a dance that originates from <u>Haïti</u>. Nemours Jean-Baptiste first explicitly named it "Compas Direct" on a recording released in 1955. It involves mostly medium-to-fast tempo with lyrics usually in Haitian Creole.

The music of T-VICE has an upbeat rhythm, and the mellow sound of lead vocalist Robert Martino performing songs and arrangements by his brother Reynaldo Martino provides soft, easy listening. The brothers formed their band in 1991, and longtime friends James Cardozo, vocalist and Gerald Kebreau soon joined to make it the popular quartet that has proven to be one of the most innovative groups of the Kompa genre. Performing internationally, they have had eleven hit albums over the years, and are considered one of the top performers of Kompa music.

No Wega Production offered their thanks to sponsors Coors Light, Guinness, Digicel and La Cabana for allowing them to bring this great band to Aruba. Doors will open at 7:00 PM, and the excitement is expect to last until the wee hours of the morning. Tickets are only 35 Arubian Florins (\$20) and are available at K.E.K.E., Geekay Department Store, Dragon CD Shop, Caribbean Sound and at Dowco Cura Cubai or by calling 746-7098